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Legend in Fig. 7: Richtig = Correct.

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Legend in Fig. 9: Falsch = Incorrect.

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I. **Basis of Report**

1. Regarding the **components** of the international application (*replacement pages that were presented to the application office upon request based on Section 14 are considered "originally submitted" within the framework of this report and are not enclosed because they do not include any changes (regulations 70.16 and 70.17)*):

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V. Justified observation according to Section 35(2) with regard to novelty, the inventive creativity and commercial applicability; documents and declarations supporting this observation

1.	Observation		
	Novelty (N)	Yes: Claims No: Claims	1-13
	Inventive Creativity (ET)	Yes: Claims No: Claims	1-13
	Commercial Applicability (GA)	Yes: Claims No: Claims	1-13

2. Documents and Declarations
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ITEM V:

Regarding independent claim 1:

N: A winch pursuant to the preamble of claim 1 is known from the prior art from US-B-6 196 242.

None of the published prior art mentioned in the search report anticipates all features of claim 1.

ET: The feeler pursuant to claim 1 locks the wrong winding direction when the rope is fully unwound.

These features are not suggested by the cited prior art:

- US-B-9 196 242 provides a pawl 38, which is pushed against the ratchet wheel 37 by means of a spring and locks a sense of rotation permanently. A feeler, which responds to the direction of entry of the rope or the winding of the rope onto a rope drums, is not provided.
- US-A-5 711 333 likewise provides a pawl, which is pushed against the ratchet wheel by means of a spring.

Regarding dependent claims 2-13:

The dependent claims 2-13 relate to beneficial embodiments of the object of claim 1 and hence fulfill the requirements of Article 33(2), (3) and (4) PCT.

GA: Commercial applicability is obvious.